(b) Does not arise.

(c) Indian Railways have transported 518.48 million tonnes of freight traffic in the year 2002-03 surpassing the target of 515 million tonnes. This was an incremental loading of 5.38 per cent and Indian Railways were, broadly, able to meet the requirement of all the major consumers.

To increase the participation of Railways in goods carriage, Indian Railways are constantly taking various steps, which include :

(i) Rationalisation of freight tariff.

(ii) Procurement of more Railway wagons.

(iii) Incentives to Railway customers like grant of station to station rates.

(iv) Encouraging Railway customers to participate in Railway transport system through schemes like 'own your wagon', development of integrated warehouses at Railway terminals etc.

(v) Augmentation of transport capacity on rail routes covered by Golden Quadrilateral and its diagonals.

(vi) Improving rail connectivity with Ports.

Jan Shatabdi passing through various States

†4464. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of Jan Shatabdi Express trains introduced recently alongwith their routes,

(b) the number of Jan Shatabdi trains out of these which are running in profit and the number of those running in loss and the position of the Jan Shatabdi trains running in or passing through Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh; and

(c) whether Stopping the operation of some Jan Shatabdi trains is under consideration; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA) (a) Details are given in the Statement enclosed. *(See* below).

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) Train-wise figures of earning and expenditure are not separately maintained, therefore, details regarding profitability of Jan Shatabdi trains are not available.

(c) Review of utilisation of trains is an ongoing exercise over Indian Railways. However, at present, there is no proposal for stopping operation of some Jan Shatabdis.

Statement

Details of Jan Shatabdi Trains 1.

Howrah-Malda Town Jan Shatabdi 2 Chennai

Central-Gudur- Vijayawada Jan Shatabdi

3. Varanasi-Lucknow Jan Shatabdi
4. Kathihar-Patna Jan Shatabdi
5. Dehradun-New Delhi Jan Shatabdi
6. Madgaon-Lokmanya Tilak (T) Jan Shatabdi
7. Chandigarh-New Delhi Jan Shatabdi
8. Ahmedabad-Bhuj Jan Shatabdi
9. Guwahati-Dimapur Jan Shatabdi
10. Howrah-Tata Jan Shatabdi
11. Bhubaneswar-Howrah Jan Shatabdi
12. Kota-Nizamuddin Jan Shatabdi
13. Emakulam-Trivandrum Jan Shatabdi
14. Yeshvantpur-Hubli Jan Shatabdi
15. Raigarh-Raipur-Durg Jan Shatabdi
16. Habibganj-Jabalpur Jan Shatabdi

Projects in Jharkhand

†4465. SHRI ABH AY KANT PRASAD : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2191 given in the Rajya Sabha on 22nd March, 2002 and state:

(a) the details of new projects to be undertaken in Jharkhand during the Tenth Five Year Plan together with the amount to be spent thereon; and

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